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CHERRY SCORES PERFECT VOTING RECORD *Senator Stands Out In Legislature*

(LANSING) – Sen. Deborah Cherry (D-Burton) held a perfect voting record during the 2004 legislative year. She was among a few lawmakers who did not miss one vote. Legislative voting records are public and are usually the focus of year-end news stories.

“I am committed to making positive contributions to the state of Michigan and my voting record is one indication by which my constituents can judge my efforts,” Sen. Cherry said. “I have enormous respect for this institution and am honored to come here each day to work hard on behalf of my constituents.”

Sen. Cherry introduced several pieces of legislation during the 2003-2004 session. She is most popularly known for a new law that allows expert testimony in preliminary trials to be video taped or delivered over the telephone.

She also sponsored legislation that required elementary school students to have at least 30 minutes of physical activity per day or 135 minutes a week during the school year. Senator Cherry will re-introduce this bill in this new legislative session and will work to get it passed into law.

An advocate for a healthy Michigan, Sen. Cherry is a member of the Healthy Michigan Caucus, and serves as co-chair of the Children’s Caucus.

Sen. Cherry was one of eight senators with a perfect voting record.

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Sen. Deborah Cherry is a first-term Democrat from Burton, Michigan. She serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee, where she sits on the Higher Education, Department of Community Health, Department of Natural Resources and Capital Outlay subcommittees.